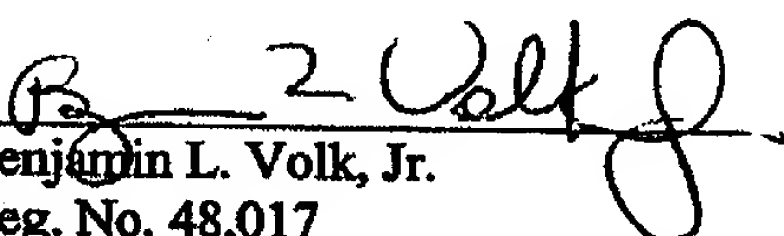


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE C (AFTER FINAL)

Applicant submits the following amendment and remarks in response to the Final Office Action dated July 5, 2001. Also included with this response is a Petition for a One Month Extension of Time with the appropriate fee.

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 1 as shown in the enclosed marked-up copy of amended claim 1.